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Dear Sir:

In response to U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Action dated March 5, 2003, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire June 5, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows.

Page 6, delete the third paragraph and insert therefore the following:

Al The salt serves to stabilize the foam by means of repulsive forces due to the presence of polar groups at the interface, and may suitably be a monovalent salt such as potassium chloride, sodium chloride, potassium acetate, sodium acetate and mixtures thereof.
